

Intimacy to Eminence in the Life of Jesus Mark 1:33

Intimacy leads to Eminence. The intimacy of a father with family will cause him to work. Endure hours of hard labor to provide. The intimate heart to heart challenge by an athletic coach at half time can change the outcome of the game. The knight in shining armor will wage war against an overwhelming enemy for the intimacy of a princess. Intimacy can be the driving force behind accomplishing the greatest of tasks. The church has been given the greatest of tasks world evangelism, holiness, pleasing God, and yet we are so short and powerless in meeting these demands. Why? Could it be that there is no intimacy? Christ, God of very God, though it necessary to be intimate with his father to complete the tasks set before him.

Every Christian can embark on the Eminence tasks of the Christian life by the application of the intimate scenes set forth in these verses.

I. The Devotion of Jesus - It must have been one more of a night for Jesus. This past Sunday was a very active day, church, jail, morning pens... I just collapsed into the bed. Here, Jesus laboring well into the night

finally rests, but not for long.

A. The Sacrifice of the Morning - The phrase agreed while before... indicates that it was still in the night in the darkness of Peter's home, ... find Jesus pulling on saddles and slipping out the door. Stealing away the moment to fellowship w/ father. I remember the morning went to pick up Carey to propose that morning the anticipation the Love. Morning time is best for work, the most restful sleep yet it is sacrifice too intimacy & Devotion to father P563 early will & seek

B. The Solitude of the Moment - Solitary place, meaning a place alone, Jesus oft did this, he went to the mountain to pray to the garden to pray, taught of closet to pray. The place of intimacy with God is a place of solitude. Not many willing to sacrifice, for destruction. When my wife share our hearts is not when kids are when we unload burdens, Jesus thrives in his intimacy w/ Father

C. The Supplication to the Almighty - Here we find God (omnipotent) petitioning God. It's difficult to understand. Must remember that Christ was all in all. In 5:19 The Son can do nothing of Himself. Humbly pleading for deity to work through him. This is our example of intimacy that is a necessity. Barclay's Prayer will never do our work for us what I will do to strengthen us for

II. The Disciples of Jesus - Peter awakens with the other disciples to find the guest gone! What a shock Messiah in your care & now gone. Searching for him? Was he angry, was he taken. Questioning

Peter's Mind, But we see Peter doing what disciples do best follow

A. Leading others by seeking Christ.

To begin with I completely read over this verse but the more I read the more it spoke to my heart. Simon is men and first, in search of a leadership role. Simon is seeking the Lord but in seeking he is also leading. I believe that the "thru" with him were Andrew, James, John, What a pattern for our discipleship! "Paul to Corin follow me as I follow Christ" If some one followed you would they encounter Christ? We are all to seek the Lord but some follow to Christ others lead to Christ. ^{For} Seek ye shall find me ^{all} ^{farther}

B. Serving Others by finding Christ - When

I was at Temple here was a young couple there that the husband came out of my SS class the wife was from Pleasant Valley BC, where Jr. Bryson was pastor for so many years. I had met Bro. Jr but didn't know very well. I asked her about Him. She said, "Well tell you this if there was ever a time I needed to get a hold of God, I would call him to pray." V537 They found Christ. They got through, "Call men seek for thee." Peter and others served the multitudes (Gathered a wide sea) by finding Christ! Make Sacks "Somebody touch Heaven"

III. The Determination of Jesus - Jesus

is always full of surprises. He so apt says the unexpected. There are some things that Jesus determined when encountering

his disciples a lot of a crossroads

A. He Determined the People - vs 38

There is this huge crowd of people there with what seem to be needs, interest, curiosity an appropriate moment to present his message and yet let us move on. I believe he determines the hearts of people were that of interest in Sensationalism. See something grand. Jesus came not to be a local celebrity, sideshow. He came to proclaim the gospel. The good news. The light given here was enough. There are scores of other towns & villages that lay in darkness! You can't see into people's hearts But it is easy to get comfortable and not push it for ^{Jesus}

B. He Determined the Progress - Let's

go on! "Let us." These sensation seekers wanted to see and be amazed but leave home to follow Christ? No. Thank God there were a band full of disciples that set out to follow Jesus. To follow the determined progress of Jesus. To go to some uncomfortable places and see some uncomfortable things I have the couplet of 38 + 39 He said & did. This is why Jesus came to seek & save the lost to say & to do. Would to us realize why we are here. To bring glory to God in ^{humiliation of} flesh.

IV Closing - Does closeness with God

seen to be an impossible task, does personal holiness seem like an uncrossable ocean? Intimacy with Christ is the key to achieving the ^{Emulation of} ^{of Christ} ^{the}